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Prescribed Burns Planned on the Klamath National Forest

YREKA, CA - The Klamath National Forest announces prescribed burning projects that will reintroduce fire back into the ecosystem under established and controlled burning conditions. Low intensity underburns and burning of piled materials will be utilized to reduce vegetative build-up with the objectives of mitigating the severity of future wildfires, enhancing wildlife habitat, and improving the overall health of the forest.

The following prescribed fire projects are planned to be accomplished this fall and winter in these locations:

Salmon Scott River Ranger District

Glassups - 330 acres, one mile south of Sawyers Bar

Deep- 400 acres, 15 miles west of Fort Jones, Middle Creek drainage west of Scott River Lodge

Jack- 225 acres in the Jackson, Grizzly, and Sugar Creek areas west of Callahan

- In addition, burning of piled materials is scheduled for 1,000 acres across the Salmon/Scott River Ranger District. The piles are located at Tomkins creek, Grouse Creek, Middle Creek, McAdams Creek, Jackson Creek, Jessups Creek, Caribou and the East Fork of the Salmon.

For more information on burning projects on the Salmon/Scott River Ranger District, please contact:
Josh Schmalenberger (530) 468-1269.

Happy Camp Oak Knoll Ranger District

Baldy Cultural Burn- 70 acres targeting beargrass 6 miles west of Happy Camp

Benjamin Creek Cultural Burn- 14 acres 2 miles southwest of Happy Camp

West Branch Cultural Burn- 4 acres 10 miles northwest of Happy Camp

Mill Creek Cultural Burn- 2 acres 9 miles northwest of Happy Camp

Wilderness Gardens-50 acres of Elk Creek Habitat 6 miles south of Happy Camp

Homestead-79 acres of Elk Creek Habitat 6 miles south of Happy Camp

Underburn A-673 acres 6 miles north of Happy Camp

Oak Knoll Habitat-70 acres at Oak Knoll

- In addition, burning of piled materials across the Happy Camp Oak Knoll Ranger District in the following areas:

Panther- 15 acres 9 miles south of Happy Camp

Buckhorn- 27 acres on the north side of Happy Camp

Walker-15 acres 2 miles east of Seiad Valley

Classic -15 acres 9 miles northwest of Happy Camp

Bear Peak-5 acres 9 miles southwest of Happy Camp

Johnsons Hunting Ground-5 acres 12 miles south of Happy Camp

Dutch Dog-approximately 300 acres in the vicinity of Klamath River

Horse Heli- 86 acres 5 miles northwest of Klamath River

Mt. Ashland PCT- approximately 150 acres 9 miles south of Ashland

For more information on burning projects on the Happy Camp Oak Knoll Ranger District, please contact: Matt Watson (530) 465-1730.

Goosenest Ranger District

- 2,200 acres of under-burning in several projects is scheduled around the Tennant area. These projects are designed to reduce hazardous fuels in order to protect Tennant and other private lands from wildland fires. Due to the dry summer that we had, these projects may be delayed until spring.
- 200 acres of piles are scheduled to be burned 4 miles west of Macdoel near Juanita Lake. The goal of this project is to protect and enhance wildlife habitat.
- At various locations throughout the district, 2,000 acres of additional piled slash from thinning and logging operations are planned to be burned.

For more information on burning projects on the Goosenest Ranger District, please contact: *Ron McEwen* (530) 398-5731.

The prescribed burning will be conducted on days when conditions for managing fire intensity and smoke production are within acceptable guidelines. The objectives of these fuel reduction projects are to reduce hazardous fuel levels and to provide for safer communities while improving the overall health of the forest.

All prescribed burning operations will be accomplished in accordance with an approved burn plan, which states specifically how and when to safely implement the burn and the expected results. All smoke management guidelines and laws will be closely followed. Additional information on fall and winter prescribed burning operations for the Klamath National Forest can be found on inciweb.
